

## VIOLENT BREAK IN MAY WHEAT.

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QUICKLY DECLINED 4 CENTS.

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Was Followed by Profit-Tak-  
ing Which Forced Closing  
Price Down to \$1.00 3/8.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—One of the most violent breaks in the recent history of the Board of Trade occurred in the wheat pit shortly before the close of the trading day. May wheat had been soft all during the session, but the loss in price was not considerable. Suddenly, shortly before noon, a panic swept over the pit, and brokers sold regardless of price.

May wheat broke from around \$1.03 to \$1.01 1/2 in fifteen minutes. Then came an equally quick recovery to \$1.01. At this point there was some profit-taking, and the market closed easy at \$1.00 3/8. The best price made during the day was \$1.04 1/2 at the opening.

July wheat and the coarse grains shared only moderately in the decline. July wheat, old style, opened at 96c, down to 95c, and soon after recovered to 97c, the high point of the day. The break late in the session carried the price off to 96c, and the close was at 97 1/2c.

May corn was comparatively steady. Opening at 56 1/2c to 56 3/4c, it advanced to 57c, and declined to 56 1/2c, closing at 56 1/2c, the opening price.

May oats held between 45c and 45 1/2c all day, closing at 45c.

The break in May wheat shows the nervous and artificial state of the market. Bear traders are now talking of dollar wheat much as bulls did a week ago.

**Wheat Slumps in London.**  
SPECIAL BY CABLE.  
London, Feb. 27.—The slump in wheat continues. It is from 2d to 6d lower today.

**CHILDREN WILL CELEBRATE  
LEAP-YEAR BIRTHDAYS.**  
Agnes Korte and George Owen Were  
Born on February  
29, 1896.

Although 8 years old, Agnes Korte, No. 129 Fifth street, and George Owen, No. 296A Louisiana avenue, will celebrate their second birthdays to-morrow.



Who will celebrate her first birthday to-morrow. She was born on February 29, 1896.

children were born on February 29, 1896, and as there has been no such date in the last eight years, they will experience their first anniversary to-morrow.

Agnes Korte is the daughter of H. J. Korte, No. 129 Fifth street, while George Owen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Owen, No. 296A Louisiana avenue.

**STREET CORNER PAY STATION.**  
Innovation in Telephone Service  
Established in Dallas.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 27.—Dallas is the first place in the country to adopt the street corner pay-station telephone system. The Southwestern Company has established several in the business center, which are being liberally patronized. Little silver-gray metal boxes, placed on upright standards, equipped with connections with the central exchange, enable pedestrians to talk with the same convenience as if in an office.

**SCHWAB BREAKS THE BANK.**  
Former President of Steel Trust  
Is at Monte Carlo.

Paris, Feb. 27.—A dispatch from Monte Carlo reports that Charles M. Schwab, the former head of the United Steel Corporation, today broke the bank at one of the tables.

The steel magnate is said to have been doing some sensational gambling, and has attracted the attention of the crowds, who watch his play regularly.

**Drilling for St. Patrick's Day.**  
At a meeting of the First Regiment, Hibernian Knights, held last evening, Captain Roemer of the Police Department was appointed drillmaster for the First Regiment, Hibernian Knights. Arrangements have been made to have the members of this regiment drill in St. Patrick's Hall, Jefferson avenue and Carr street, every Tuesday and Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock and every Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, preparatory to taking part in the St. Patrick's Day parade. It is expected these drills will be largely attended, and, under the capable direction of Captain Roemer, the members of the regiment will be in a position to make a creditable display in the St. Patrick's Day parade.

**Funeral of Mrs. Perry.**  
The body of Mrs. Lucy A. Perry, who died at her home, No. 209 Palm street, was buried in Greenville, Ill., Friday. Brief services were held at the grave in Mountrose cemetery. Mrs. Perry was a sister of Mrs. C. W. Seawell and James M. Miller of Greenville, Ill., and Mrs. A. E. Pogue of St. Louis.

**Andy Ryan Is Dead.**

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.  
Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 27.—Andy Ryan, saloonkeeper and former fireman, who was well known in Kansas City because of his association with John Kennedy, the train robber, is dead. His death occurred unexpectedly last night at the home of his sister, Mrs. Samuel Sussolt.

**Ladies' Section Enchere.**  
The Ladies' Section of the Social Turnverein will give a euchre at their hall, corner Thirteenth and Monroe streets, Thursday, March 2. Playing begins at 7 o'clock.

## DON'T OVERWORK YOUR EYES

The most robust and healthiest men often become physical wrecks from overtaxing themselves with work. The strongest and most perfect eyes are often ruined from overwork and overstrain. These severe headaches, the continued and sharp smarting and twitching of your eyes—the difficulty experienced when reading—are all direct symptoms of some disorder that demands urgent correction. Our Optical Expert, DR. OSCAR LEWALD, will scientifically test your eyes and supply the right glasses your eyes require. Exorbitant prices, such as are asked by exclusive opticians, are unknown here. Solid Gold-Filled Spectacles and Eyeglasses—15-year guarantee—optical-store price \$2.50—Famous price..... \$1.00

## Hair Ornaments

at special prices Monday.  
**Horn Hairpins**—Highly polished—in shell only—straight, crimped or looped styles—19c quality—Monday, per card of one dozen..... **10c**

**Amber and Shell Back Combs**—A large selection of pretty styles to choose from—every tooth hand-grailed—39c kind elsewhere—Monday at Famous, special at..... **25c**

**39c Side Combs to match**—**25c**  
Monday at, pair..... **25c**

## 59c Belt Buckles 25c

New goods, samples from one of the most representative lines in the country—buckles in gilt, French gray or silver finish—the designs are as varied as your fancies—none worth less than 39c, many up to 59c—Monday, choice at..... **25c**

## 39c Waist Sets 19c

3 and 4 pieces in set—over thirty pretty styles, including many World's Fair designs—39c values—Monday..... **19c**

## Veiling Remnant.

Up to 50c Values, 10c.

If you're a judge of values at all, you'll see at a glance that these are certainly exceptional bargains. We bought a lot of manufacturers' samples of Veiling Remnants at a price that justifies us in turning them over to you at one-half to one-fifth of what they cost if bought off the full piece—included are all the newest spring meshes, in black, magpie, white, brown and navy—1-yard lengths—worth up to 50c yard—Monday, while they last, per piece..... **10c**

## \$1.25 to \$1.75 Umbrellas 98c.

Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas—A silk gloria, piece dyed taffeta and silk and wool mixed material—absolutely guaranteed and thoroughly waterproof—good, sturdy frames—over 1,000 to select from—silver and gold trimmed handles—plain box-woods and pearl handles—\$1.25 to \$1.75 values—Monday, choice at..... **98c**

## 59c and 69c Umbrellas 35c.

Men's, Women's and Children's Umbrellas—made of fast black serge—plain and fancy Congo handles—also pearl and fancy gold and silver effects—sizes 24, 26 and 28—regular 59c and 69c values—Monday, special at..... **35c**

## Housework Made Easy

With the use of the latest improved and practical devices, such as we will sell Monday in our Economy Basement substantially underpriced—



**Wash Boilers**—Made of charcoal tin No. 8—heavy copper bottom—regular 85c kind—Monday..... **69c**  
**Wash Wringers**—Wood frame—white rubber rolls—warranted for one year—regular price \$2.50—Monday..... **\$1.95**  
**Curtain Stretchers**—Never-sag—6x12 ft.—nickel plated plus—regular price 95c—Monday..... **65c**  
**Clothes Baskets**—Made of whole willow—regular 85c size—Monday..... **59c**  
**Ironing Boards**—With folding stands—extra wide—worth 85c—Monday..... **65c**  
**75-Foot Braided Cotton Clotheslines**—worth 12c—Monday..... **12c**  
**Hardwood Clothespins**—Worth 2c dozen—Monday..... **5c**  
**Star Cleaner**—Worth 35c—Monday, per cake..... **3c**  
**Ready-Mixed Paints**—Stictic—pure for house or floor—qtz..... **23c**  
One-half gallon..... **15c**  
One gallon..... **30c**  
**Furniture Varnish**—Monday, per can..... **10c**  
**Willow Clothes Hampers**—with cover—\$1.19 kind—Monday..... **79c**  
**Clairette Soap**—10 bars—Monday..... **25c**  
**Galvanized Water Pails**—regular 25c size—Monday..... **15c**

## WILL OPERATE ON DOCTOR HARPER.

Physicians Decide It Will Become Necessary to Remove Vermiform Appendix After All.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Doctor William Rainey Harper, president of the University of Chicago, must submit to an operation for appendicitis. His condition is the result of a relapse of the attack he suffered two weeks ago and has become so serious that an operation has been decided on as the only means of saving his life.

Doctor A. D. Bevan and Doctor C. P. Small, the attending physicians, have made the first statement during Doctor Harper's illness. It is this:

## Ladies' Suits, Skirts and Petticoats

You'll find much to interest you here Monday—read on.



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## Ladies' \$10.00 Eton Suits \$6.95.

Made of good serviceable materials—the correct weight for immediate wear—Coats have the wide shoulder capes and skirts, trimmed with new fancy braid—light weight satin linings—made with open plait—cut full and graceful—in pretty shades of blue and brown, also black—They're 10 suits that we offer you Monday at the Special Price of..... **\$6.95**

## \$8.00 Silk Petticoats \$4.50.

They're manufacturers' samples bought low enough to permit this splendid bargain treat—made of excellent quality rustling taffeta—cut very wide in a great variety of good styles—accorded-pleated flounce, double flounce with ruffling, etc.—all colors and black—you can't duplicate them anywhere under \$8.00—Monday at the Famous Special at..... **\$4.50**

## 75c Wash Petticoats, 35c.

Of plain blue chambray with wide double ruffles—all are cut with extra fullness and guaranteed fast colors—quality—Monday special at..... **35c**

## \$7.50 Silk Coats, \$4.95.

A nobby spring garment—of elegant peau de soie—the much-admired Eton style with wide shoulder cape—fancy braid trimmed—serviceable linings—just the proper coat for early spring wear—\$7.50 value—Monday special at..... **\$4.95**

## 50c Black Fancy Etamine Suitings 29c.

When you see them you'll not require any coaxing to buy—the values loudly speak for themselves—all-wool materials—36 inches wide—in neat, dainty figures—they'll be quite the vogue this season—we have 20 pieces of a regular 50c quality that we will sell Monday at the very special price of, yard..... **29c**

## 38-inch all-wool Black Voile—A sheer fabric—the proper thing for spring and summer wear—65c value—Monday at, yard..... **48c**

## 45-inch all-wool Black Storm Serge—Will not catch the dust—sold for 89c—Monday Special at, yard..... **65c**

## 59c Flake Suitings 39c.

There's no sense in postponing your spring purchases when such sterling values can be had here Monday—36-inch all-wool Flake Suitings—in the very latest spring designs and colorings—nice, fresh, crisp goods that readily sell everywhere at 69c yard—Monday, very special, at, yard..... **39c**

## 38-inch all-wool English Coating Serge—25 different shades to choose from—a good-wearing fabric—fully worth 85c—Monday at, yard..... **65c**

## 59c Black Taffeta Silks 39c.

Here's our idea of a real, genuine silk bargain—owing to a very lucky trade circumstance we are enabled Monday to offer you 19-inch, warranted pure black silk taffeta—extra heavy and a fabric that is a positive 59c quality—while 20 pieces last, at the very special price of, yard..... **39c**

## 19-inch Cream and White Taffetas—Rich, lustrous cloth—69c value—Monday at, yard..... **50c**

## 19-inch Colored Taffetas—Extra good quality—every shade on the color card—sold everywhere for 85c—Special for Monday at, yard..... **65c**

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## THE NEWEST SPRING MODES IN

## Ladies' Suits, Skirts and Petticoats

You'll find much to interest you here Monday—read on.

## Ladies' Eton and Coat Suits \$15.

Captivating creations, glistening with newness and beauty. Scores of praise-commanding styles in the Cape Eton and Coat effects—made of broadcloths, chevrons and those ever-popular mannish mixtures. The skirts are fine pleated and fancy trimmed. The coats are lined with excellent taffeta to match material—in blacks, blues, browns and mixtures—suits that have all the elegance and dash of the \$22.50 suits shown about town—you should see this princely line that Famous offers at..... **\$15.00**

## Ladies' \$13.50 Eton Suits \$9.95.

Made of splendid all-wool cheviot in the latest approved spring styles—pretty shoulder cape and girde effect—trimmed with taffeta bands and fancy braid vest effects—silk remaine linings—skirts have open plaits at bottom and are graceful flaring—in brown, blue and black—These suits are very cleverly tailored and were made to retail for \$13.50—Monday Special at..... **\$9.95**

## New Foulard Shirt-Waist Suits \$9.95.

Charming spring ideas—made of excellent Satin Foulard in the popular shades of navy and royal blue and black, with neat, small white figures—fall plaited waist with the long dip front—skirt cut full—pretty stock collar and new fall sleeves—they'd easily bring \$12.50—Monday at Famous Special at..... **\$9.95**

## \$12.00 Silk Dress Skirts \$5.95.

Made of fine quality peau de soie silk—only one or two of a style—a host of fascinating conceits—some lace trimmed, some plain pleated tailored effects—some with silk ornaments, fancy ruffles and cording—all fashioned in the very latest spring modes—all have drop skirts—not one in the lot worth less than \$10 and many would easily bring \$12—Monday at Famous very special at..... **\$5.95**

## New Dress Skirts at \$3.95.

Made of fine Venetian cloths—lately trimmed with peau de soie silk bands down front and around bottom—graceful hanging and neatly tailored skirt—easily worth \$6.00—in blue, black and brown—Monday Special at..... **\$3.95**

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## Have You Seen the New Eagle Trading Stamp Premiums?

There's hardly a day passes but what some new and practical article is added to this rich gathering of EAGLE TRADING STAMP PREMIUMS in our Premium Room Annex on the third floor. If you haven't visited the Premium Room lately there's quite a treat in store for you. There are new Towels, Dresser Sets, Water Sets, exquisitely decorated Vases, Orange Plates, Fancy Plates, Nut Plates and a thousand and one useful articles that will unquestionably evoke your profoundest admiration. And you can choose any of them 25c, 50c, 75c and more EAGLE TRADING STAMPS. WE GIVE EAGLE TRADING STAMPS with every cash purchase of 10c and over made in any of our thirty-five complete departments.

## Art Embroideries

Aside from these notable specials you'll find much in this department to interest you Monday.

**Battenberg Doilies**—6-inch size, round or square..... **10c**

15c quality—Monday..... **15c**

**Battenberg Doilies**—7-inch size, linen center, 25c quality—Monday..... **19c**

**Battenberg Doilies**—3-inch size, linen center, 25c quality—Monday..... **19c**

**Tenerife Doilies**—Some with plain linen centers, others with drawwork center, many styles, 25c kind—Monday..... **19c**

**Tenerife Doilies**—2 1/2-inch square and 6-inch round, new effects, 80c quality—Monday, other style..... **25c**

**Tenerife Centerpieces**—12x12-inch size, plain center, 60c quality—Monday..... **48c**

**Pillow Tops and Backs**—Tinted and stamped designs, regular 25c quality—Monday, two sets for..... **25c**

**Lithographed Pillow Tops**—A small lot to close out; beautiful colorings, excellent subjects; regular 50c values—Monday, while they last—Special at..... **25c**